

# AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

Mr. BROWN of Ohio. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on November 3, 2011, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Empowering and Protecting Servicemembers, Veterans and their Families in the Consumer Financial Marketplace."

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

## COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. BROWN of Ohio. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on November 3, 2011, at 10 a.m., in SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct an executive business meeting.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

## SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

Mr. BROWN of Ohio. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on November 3, 2011, at 2:30 p.m.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

## PERMANENT SUBCOMMITTEE ON INVESTIGATION

Mr. BROWN of Ohio. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations of the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on November 3, 2011, at 9 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled, "Excessive Speculation and Compliance with the Dodd-Frank Act."

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

# UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGREEMENT—S.J. RES. 6 AND S.J. RES. 27

Mr. REID. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that at a time to be determined by the majority leader, after consultation with the Republican leader, the Republican leader or his designee be recognized to move to proceed to the consideration of S.J. Res. 6, a joint resolution disapproving a rule submitted by the Federal Communications Commission with respect to regulating the Internet and broadband industry practices; that there be up to 4 hours of debate on the motion to proceed, with the time equally divided and controlled between the two leaders or their designees; that upon the use or yielding back of time, the Senate proceed to vote on the adoption of the motion to proceed; that if the motion is successful, then the time for debate with respect to the joint resolution be equally divided between the two leaders or their designees; that upon the use or yielding back of time, the joint

resolution be read a third time and the Senate proceed to vote on passage of the joint resolution; finally, that all other provisions of the statute governing consideration of the joint resolution remain in effect.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. REID. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the order with respect to S.J. Res. 6 also apply to S.J. Res. 27, with the only exception being 2 hours of debate equally divided between the two leaders or their designees prior to a vote on the motion to proceed.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

# DISCHARGE PETITIONS (S.J. RES. 6 AND S.J. RES. 27)

## S.J. RES. 6

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, hereby direct that the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be discharged of further consideration of S.J. Res. 6, a resolution on providing for congressional disapproval of a rule submitted by the Federal Communications Commission relating to the matter of preserving the open Internet and broadband industry practices, and, further, that the resolution be immediately placed upon the Legislative Calendar under General Orders.

Kay Bailey Hutchison, Marco Rubio, Richard Burr, Thad Cochran, John Cornyn, Jon Kyl, Lamar Alexander, Ron Johnson, Mike Lee, Kelly Ayotte, Roy Blunt, Richard G. Lugar, Mitch McConnell, Johnny Isakson, Mike Johanns, Susan M. Collins, Roger F. Wicker, Richard C. Shelby, John McCain, James E. Risch, John Barrasso, Michael B. Enzi, John Boozman, Pat Roberts, Patrick Toomey, Lisa Murkowski, Jim DeMint, David Vitter, Bill Nelson, James M. Inhofe, Olympia J. Snowe, Orrin G. Hatch, Daniel Coats, Mark Kirk, Dean Heller, Mike Crapo, Rand Paul, John Thune, Jeff Sessions, Saxby Chambliss, John Hoeven, Rob Portman.

## S.J. RES. 27

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, hereby direct the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works be discharged of further consideration of S.J. Res. 27, a resolution on providing for congressional disapproval of a rule submitted by the Environmental Protection Agency related to mitigation by States of cross-border air pollution under the Clean Air Act.

Rand Paul, David Vitter, Ron Johnson, James Risch, John Barrasso, John Thune, Roy Blunt, Orrin Hatch, Pat Roberts, John Boozman, John Cornyn, Jim DeMint, Mike Lee, Saxby Chambliss, Tom Coburn, Kay Bailey Hutchison, John McCain, Richard Burr, Jon Kyl, Chuck Grassley, Roger F. Wicker, Marco Rubio (FL), James Inhofe, Patrick J. Toomey, Thad Cochran, Jeff Sessions, John Hoeven, Johnny Isakson, Mitch McConnell, Lindsey Graham, Mike Johanns, Michael B. Enzi, Jerry Moran, Mike Crapo, Richard Shelby.

# 3% WITHHOLDING REPEAL AND JOB CREATION ACT—MOTION TO PROCEED

Mr. REID. Madam President, I move to proceed to Calendar No. 212, H.R. 674.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

The Senator from Nevada [Mr. REID] moves to proceed to H.R. 674, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the imposition of 3 percent withholding on certain payments made to vendors by government entities, to modify the calculation of modified adjusted gross income for purposes of determining eligibility for certain healthcare-related programs, and for other purposes.

## CLOTURE MOTION

Mr. REID. Madam President, I have a cloture motion at the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The cloture motion having been presented under rule XXII, the Chair directs the clerk to read the motion.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

## CLOTURE MOTION

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, hereby move to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to Calendar No. 212, H.R. 674, an act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the imposition of 3 percent withholding on certain payments made to vendors by government entities, to modify the calculation of modified adjusted gross income for purposes of determining eligibility for certain health care related programs, and for other purposes.

Harry Reid, Christopher A. Coons, Joe Manchin III, Kay R. Hagan, Dianne Feinstein, Benjamin L. Cardin, Al Franken, Mark Begich, Mark R. Warner, Jeff Bingaman, Tom Udall, Amy Klobuchar, Jeanne Shaheen, Barbara A. Mikulski, Kent Conrad, Michael F. Bennet, Patty Murray.

Mr. REID. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the mandatory quorum under rule XXII be waived.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

## EXECUTIVE SESSION

## EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. REID. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to executive session to consider Calendar No. 415; that the nomination be confirmed with no intervening action or debate; that no further motions be in order to the nomination; that any statements related to the nomination be printed in the RECORD; that President Obama be immediately notified of the Senate's action and the Senate then resume legislative session.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The nomination considered and confirmed is as follows:

## EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

Alan B. Krueger, of New Jersey, to be a Member of the Council of Economic Advisers.